

BULGARIA HAS JOINED ALLIES

The Legation in Washington Does Not Discredit Report of Final Step

NEW WAR MINISTER APPOINTED IN SOFIA

Italy's Fleet Ready to Attack Turkey as Time Limit for Reply Expires

Washington, D. C., Aug. 21.—Though not officially advised of it, the Bulgarian legation here did not discredit an unconfirmed report current in Washington yesterday that Bulgaria had already joined the allies.

"It is not impossible," said First Secretary Poulitoff, of the legation, "that my country has already done so."

Paris, Aug. 21.—Italy holds the key to the Balkan situation, according to dispatches received here yesterday. If the Italian foreign office consents to the division of Albania between Serbia and Greece, with the port of Avlona to be retained by Italy, Bulgaria may yet be induced to enter the war on the side of the allies.

Nish dispatches yesterday said that Serbia has informed the allies she is willing to cede Serbian Macedonia to Bulgaria if her interests in Albania are given proper consideration. The Venzelsoffs in Greece are said to favor making concessions to Bulgaria in return for a portion of Albania.

The Rome newspaper Giornale d'Italia yesterday partially confirmed these reports, though its positive statement that the negotiations have been concluded satisfactorily and that Bulgaria will enter the war within a few weeks, was not generally credited here.

General Joffe has succeeded General Fitch as minister of war of Bulgaria, the latter resigning on account of ill health, according to the official statement. It was thought possible here that the change in the Bulgarian ministry may have resulted from the developments in the diplomatic situation at Sofia.

Rome, Aug. 21.—A cabinet council will be held here to-day at the hour when Italy's time limit for Turkey's reply to Italy's final demands will expire.

The cabinet council will then determine on Italy's future course of action toward the sublime porte. A strong squadron of fast cruisers is held in readiness at Taranto to sail at a moment's notice. Five army corps at Apulia have been ordered to prepare at once to leave for an unnamed destination.

Italy's demands include the release of Italian subjects held in Turkey and cessation of intrigues in Tripoli.

MORE STRIKES IN BRIDGEPORT

500 Employees of Bryant Electric Company, 500 of Star Shirt Company, and Others Walk Out.

Bridgeport, Conn., Aug. 21.—Labor unrest was a prevailing condition in many Bridgeport industrial plants yesterday. It was reported that employees of the Bryant Electric company, the Electric Cable company, the Star Shirt company, and two laundries had gone out and that other departments in the Salts Textile plant are closed because of additions to the strikers' ranks. The number of strikers is said to exceed 2,000.

Mrs. Mary Scully of the American Federation of Labor ordered workers who left the Remington arms factory back to work. Several firms here have granted demands of employees.

ATLANTIC CITY BLOCK BURNS.

Hotels Menaced as Fire Sweeps Along Boardwalk.

Atlantic City, N. J., Aug. 21.—A fire, which gutted half a dozen small shops on the boardwalk and threatened the \$500,000 Strand hotel and Haddon hall, yesterday, raged along the entire square here between Pennsylvania and North Carolina avenues.

The fire was discovered shortly after noon, when smoke was seen coming from the windows of a cafe immediately adjoining the Strand hotel. Within a short time flames were leaping from all windows and spreading to other buildings. The entire fire department of Atlantic City was called to the scene.

The police had great difficulty in keeping back a throng of nearly 20,000 people, mostly visitors to the summer resort.

SECOND PLATTSBURG CAMP OPENS SEPT. 6

Military Training for a New Contingent of Citizens Will Begin Then, to Last a Month.

Plattsburg, N. Y., Aug. 21.—The second camp of military instruction will open here on Sept. 6, and continue for four weeks. Colonel Roosevelt will visit the camp next Wednesday. St. Louis, Indianapolis and New Orleans have asked for camps.

KURDS BURN WOMEN TO DEATH.

1,000 Locked in Wooden Building Before Torch Was Put to It.

Petragrad, Aug. 21.—One thousand Armenian women and children were locked in a wooden building by Kurds tribesmen near Van and the building then set alight, according to dispatches received here yesterday, reporting the renewal of atrocities against the Armenians. A few of the women broke out, but the majority perished.

In one village all the Armenians but 24 were massacred, the dispatches said. In another, a score of women, after being mistreated, were bound, together with some children, and thrown into Lake Van.

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MAKE AMERICANS GATHER DEAD.

Carranza Troops Force C. E. Cates and Others to Work on Battlefield.

Nogales, Ariz., Aug. 21.—Frederick Simpich, American consul at Nogales, Sonora, received information Thursday night that C. E. Cates, an assistant superintendent of the Southern Pacific railroad of Mexico, and two other Americans had been held prisoners by Carranza forces, which captured Imuris last Monday. A demand was made for their release. The men taken prisoners with Cates were a conductor named Hamm and an engineer named Miller.

With three Mexican railroad employees, according to the report made to Simpich, they were forced to gather up the dead on a battlefield on which Carranza troops defeated Villa forces. Afterward, lashed together the prisoners were taken in the direction of Cananea. These reports were brought to the border by Americans.

The Carranza forces which captured Imuris also took Magdalena, according to an official report to General P. Elias Calles, who also claims that the booty captured included a military train, 400 head of cattle, 100 horses and several hundred rifles with a large quantity of ammunition.

CHINESE CABINET TO CONSIDER CRISIS

General Policy for Salvation of Country to Be Discussed.

Peking, Aug. 21.—The entire cabinet, including General Li Yuan-Heng, vice president of the republic, was summoned to the president's palace yesterday to discuss a general policy for the salvation of the country.

TO MAKE PROPAGANDA INQUIRY.

Dept. of Justice to Investigate Charges Tending to Violate Neutrality.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 21.—President Wilson Thursday took up officially reports that German agents have been unduly active in the United States. Later it became known that the department of justice would investigate all charges tending to indicate violations of American neutrality.

The president discussed the question with Attorney-General Gregory, asking what steps had already been taken and whether anything had been disclosed calling for action by the federal government. He was told that so far none of the department's inquiries had developed information to warrant prosecutions.

The attorney-general said he had not read carefully the charges published in the New York World that German agents with the approval of the German government had fomented strikes in munitions factories and engaged in other such activities, but that as soon as the disclosures were completed by that newspaper he would complete the facts alleged would be investigated by agents of his department.

Because of mention of the names of officials of the German embassy in the published reports, President Wilson probably will discuss the situation with Secretary Lansing soon.

\$15,000,000 OF AMERICAN SECURITIES ON ARABIC

Estimates of Total Lost on the Ship—All, However, Likely to Be Replaced.

London, Aug. 21.—It is understood that the Arabic carried between \$10,000,000 and \$15,000,000 worth of American securities for New York. These all were insured, but the underwriters at Lloyd's and the various financial institutions were busy yesterday looking up the details and arranging claims. One firm alone had \$1,250,000 worth of securities on the sunken vessel. It is understood that some stocks are being purchased in America to cover these.

These securities are supposed to have consisted mainly of such stocks and bonds as comprise the international list, chiefly the transcontinentals, grangers and trunk lines, with such industrials as United States Steel and leading metal shares. The insurance companies will have to make restitution for any losses incurred, but if the usual course is followed, the corporations whose securities were lost will issue new certificates upon presentation of valid claims.

FINCH GETS SU-REME COURT SEAT.

Appointed to Vacancy Caused by De-lany's Death.

Albany, N. Y., Aug. 21.—Governor Whitman yesterday appointed Edward R. Finch to New York City as a supreme court justice to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Justice John J. De-lany.

Mr. Finch is president of the Honest Ballot association. It was stated Mr. Finch was endorsed by prominent members of the bench and bar throughout the state.

Governor Whitman yesterday also officially designated Cuthbert W. Pound of Niagara county to serve as a judge of the court of appeals to fill the vacancy caused by the recent resignation of Judge Nathan Y. Miller.

A WILD STORY.

Of the Capture of Texas Town by Mexican Rebels.

San Antonio, Tex., Aug. 21.—Under the heading, "It is rumored the town of Mercedes, Tex., taken by rebels," El Democrita, a newspaper at Matamoros, Mexico, publishes a startling story of how Mexican rebels defeated an American army and captured the Texas town, according to a message yesterday from Brownsville.

The story said the Mexicans finally abandoned the town to march to other places, the message stated.

CARRANZA MEN FIRM

Like a Unit They Support Their Leader

EXPECTED TO IGNORE NOTE

Aguilar Has Referred the Document to the Chief

Washington, Aug. 21.—Hope of General Carranza's acquiescence in the Pan-American peace plan for Mexico had been practically abandoned here yesterday. Among the Latin-Americans there was known to be considerable disposition to recognize him. This was expected to promise much friction at the next conference.

The Carranzista agency here received the following message, dated Thursday, from General Carranza, Vera Cruz, yesterday:

"I have just received word from General Obregon that General Arrieta captured the city of Durango on Aug. 13."

Four Carranza generals replied yesterday to the Latin-American note by advising Secretary Lansing that they had nothing to say about it; that General Carranza would act as their spokesman and that whatever he did would be subscribed to by them.

The four generals were Governor Aguilar of Vera Cruz state, Governor Elizondo of Michoacan state, General Ricaut, commanding at Nuevo Laredo, and General Murgulla, division commander in General Obregon's army.

General Funston reported the arrival of the 5th field artillery and two aeroplane sections at Brownsville, Aug. 18.

The Brazilian minister to Mexico arrived here yesterday and went to the Willard hotel, where he was joined shortly afterward by Brazilian Ambassador Da Gama.

RUMOR OF SINKING OF THE LAPLAND

The White Star Liner Was Said to Have Been a Victim of Submarine.

Queenstown, Aug. 21.—A report was circulated here yesterday that the White Star liner Lapland had been sunk. There was no confirmation of this report and it is considered probable that the Lapland was confused with the British steamer New York City, torpedoed Thursday, whose crew landed here yesterday.

The Lapland, a Red Star liner under charter to the White Star line, sailed from New York on Aug. 12 for Liverpool. She was due in Liverpool late yesterday or early to-day.

Happy Man.

"To what do you attribute your remarkable health?"

"Well," replied the very old gentleman, "I reckon I got a good start on most people by being born before germs was discovered, thereby having less to worry about."—Washington Star.

Cheering.

Misses—I shall be very lonely, Bridget, if you leave me."

Bridget—Don't worry, mum. I'll not go until ye have a houseful of company.—Boston Transcript.

MUNITIONS PLOT ADMITTED

Germany Would Buy All Arms Manufacturing

LACK OF FUNDS ONLY OBSTACLE

German Agent Denies the New York World's Charges

New York, Aug. 21.—Dr. H. F. Albert, imperial German privy councillor, who has been described in The World's exposure of German propaganda methods here as the chief financial agent of his government in this country, issued a statement to the newspapers Thursday evening from his office at 45 Broadway denying as "false and unwarranted" many of the deductions drawn from "the documents and memoranda that were stolen from me" and presenting his own version of his activities here. Dr. Albert's statement in part follows:

The published letter from Mr. Mc-Lane to the effect that Mr. Mc-Lane "has a plan for precipitating a strike of automobile workers" and that "a strike could be brought about in the munitions factories of Detroit, Cleveland and Cincinnati for about \$50,000," is a fair illustration of the worthless sort of "junk" on which the representatives of my country are charged with conspiring against the industrial peace of this community and are sought to be held up to public reprobation. Is it anywhere suggested that the slightest attention was ever paid to that or any other letter of like import or that \$50,000 or 50 cents was ever paid or agreed to be paid upon any such enterprise?

I take the liberty of pointing out the flimsy and unreliable character of these publications and of the implied accusations on which they are based. They may be ranged under four heads:

It is said that the documents indicate that the German government has been engaged in the purchase of munitions factories and war materials, while at the same time it or its ally has been insisting upon and supporting a propaganda in favor of an embargo by this country against the exportation of arms and ammunition. This is charged to be an inconsistent attitude and as evidence of bad faith.

I insist that it is capable of no such construction, and that the two positions are entirely consistent, although in point of fact there has been as yet no purchase made, contracted for or arranged of any munition or other factory, and none is in contemplation.

Baseball under big league system will be played in Cuba next season.

The new organization will be known as the Federal league, and in the future the game will be governed in the same manner as it is in the United States. A national commission, umpires, contracts, and all the appurtenances of big league baseball will figure in the Cuban organization in the future.

The members of the Syracuse university football team will be able to qualify as veteran globe trotters, when the 1915 gridiron season has ended. No eastern college eleven of recent years has faced as many and as long jumps as the Orange schedule calls for this fall, with a season which begins at home on Sept. 25 and ends at Portland, Ore., on Dec. 1.

The team starts touring on Oct. 9, when Princeton will be played at Princeton. The following Saturday Rochester will be met at home, and a week later the Syracuse eleven will go to Providence to face Brown. Ann Arbor will be visited on Oct. 30, for the purpose of playing Yost's University of Michigan gridiron clan. The first two Saturdays of November will be spent at Syracuse entertaining Mt. Union and Colgate teams. Dartmouth will follow on Nov. 20, and then the Orange eleven will trek westward. Thanksgiving day will see the team engaged with the University of Montana players at Missoula, and on Dec. 1 Syracuse will close an exceedingly busy season by tackling the Oregon Agricultural college team at Portland, Ore.

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During the next three weeks, two of the principal golf courses in the lake region will be the centers of attraction for the vast army of American men and women who are interested in the royal and ancient game. One week from today the amateur championship tournament of the United States Golf association will begin on the links of the Country club of Detroit, Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan, and the women's national tournament will commence nine days later at the Onwentsia club, Lake Forest, Ill.

This is the second time during the history of golf in this country that the men's and women's championships have been allotted to western clubs in the same year. Eight years ago both championships were decided upon western courses. It was then that Jerome D. Travers won the first of his four national victories by defeating Archibald Graham, the former New Jersey state champion, in the final on the links of the Euclid club, Cleveland, O., in July 1907.

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\$583 PER MINUTE TO BE PAID BOXER

Packey McFarland and Mike Gibbons to Go Ten Rounds for \$32,500—Other Sporting Gossip.

New York, Aug. 21.—New heights in ring finance were reached in the signing of Packey McFarland and Mike Gibbons to box in this city three weeks from today. These two glove artists agreed to box ten rounds without decision for a purse of \$32,500, of which McFarland is to receive \$17,500 and Gibbons \$15,000. No title will be involved, and even though a knockout occur the result will be without championship value.

Under the circumstances, the paying of \$583 per minute to McFarland and \$500 per minute to Gibbons establishes what is undoubtedly a new record in limited round pugilism. Owing to the boxing skill and reputation of these modern ring generals, the gate receipts are quite likely to exceed by several thousand dollars the purse and other incidental expenses, but there is nothing in local pugilistic history to warrant the idea that the receipts will approach the figures reached in famous battles of the past.

The largest gate receipts ever recorded at a bout in New York were \$86,300, taken at the Jeffries-Sharkey 25-round battle, fought at Coney Island Nov. 3, 1899. The fight between Jim Corbett and Kid McCoy, during the closing days of the Horton law, under which some of the greatest bouts of modern ring history were fought, netted \$56,350 at the gate. Championship fights in Nevada, Australia, and several other points, have drawn larger gates, but many famous fighters, including Nelson, Gans, Britt, McGovern, Fitzsimmons, Ketchel, Jeffries, and Corbett risked, and in some cases lost, their titles before fistic gatherings, the receipts from which did not equal the sum set aside for Gibbons and McFarland.

The European war has taken its toll in German sports, as well as from the other nations engaged in the great conflict. Among the latest reports from Berlin is one to the effect that the annual fall races of the German Motorboat club, usually held on the Mueggelsee, near Berlin, have been canceled. The fact that many motorboat owners with their craft have joined the Volunteer Motorboat corps, and the necessity of saving gasoline are the reasons assigned. This cancellation of the races for the second time deals the motorboat sport a heavy blow, for there has been nothing along this line since the Baltic sea trip of the Imperial Motor Yacht club in June, 1914. The club in announcing the cancellation says that nothing is planned for the immediate future.

An intercontinental return match between the racquet stars of the Pacific and Atlantic coasts appears to be a certainty. The eastern tennis players are keen to meet their western conquerors again, believing that they can retrieve on grass the honors lost on the asphalt courts of the far West. The National association officials are planning to stage the matches at Forest Hills, L. I., following the national championship tournament.

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Excursion to St. Albans Bay, Aug. 26. Going Via St. Albans, Returning Via Burlington.

Train leaves Barre 8:15 a. m., Montpelier 9:07 a. m.

Only \$1.25 for the round trip, which includes rail ride to St. Albans, electric car ride to St. Albans Bay, steamer ride to Burlington, thence rail to starting point.

See flyers for further particulars.

NATIONAL LEAGUE		
Yesterday's Games.		
At Brooklyn—Brooklyn 6, Chicago 5 (10 innings).		
At New York—New York 5, Cincinnati 0.		
At Boston—Boston 1, St. Louis 0.		
At Philadelphia—Philadelphia 4, Pittsburgh 3 (11 innings).		
STANDING OF THE CLUBS		
	Won.	Lost.
Philadelphia	67	48
Brooklyn	60	51
Chicago	55	54
Pittsburgh	56	56
Boston	54	50
New York	51	54
St. Louis	52	60
Cincinnati	51	59

AMERICAN LEAGUE		
Yesterday's Games.		
At Chicago—Boston 4, Chicago 1.		
At Detroit—Detroit 11, Philadelphia 1.		
At Cleveland—Washington 8, Cleveland 0.		
St. Louis vs. New York, two games postponed (rain).		
STANDING OF THE CLUBS		
	Won.	Lost.
Boston	70	37
Detroit	73	39
Chicago	66	43
Washington	55	54
New York	51	50
Cleveland	42	68
St. Louis	41	68
Philadelphia	34	74

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